

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

ESTABLISHMENT – Revenue Department – Village Administration –Appointment of Sri T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, Village Administrative Officer, Chandraiahpet (V), G.Singadam (M), Srikakulam District as Village Revenue Officer on compassionate grounds, in relaxation of Rule-8(II) of APVAO Service Rules, 1990 and in relaxation of Rule-3 of A.P. Village Revenue Officers Service Rules, 2008 – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 102.

Dated 17.01.2012

Read the following:-

1. Orders of the APAT dated 19.11.2009 in O.A.No.4712/2004 filed by Sri T.Ch.Santhosh Kumar.
2. From the CCLA, Hyderabad Lr.Rc.No.A3/616/2004, dated 15.04.2010 along with report of District Collector, Srikakulam Lr.Rc.No.A3/376/2010, dated 19.02.2010.
3. Government Memo No.53444/VA.2/2009, Rev (VA) Department dated 09.06.2010
4. From Sri Meesala Neelakantam, M.L.A, Etcherla Constituency, Srikakulam District dated 08.03.2011 received thorough CMO No.513/CMP-MM/2011 dated 16.03.2011.

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ORDER:

In the reference 2nd read above the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad and the District Collector, Srikkaulam have reported that Sri.T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, Srikakulam has applied for the post of VRO on compassionate ground, as his father expired on 11.03.1999 while working as VAO, Chandraiahpet (V) G.Singadam (M) Srikakulam Dist. They further reported that the individual Sri.T.Ch.Santosh Kumar's date of birth is 01.07.1985, according to which he was only 13 years old and did not possess the requisite educational qualification as on the date of demise of his father i.e., on 11.03.1999. As such the request of the individual was rejected by the CCLA. A.P., Hyderabad in his proceedings dated 18.02.2000. Aggrieved by the said orders the individual represented to the Government on 21.06.2000 with a similar request stating that he passed 10th class during the March 2000, and since he was only 13 years old at the time of his father's death, to relax the minimum age criterion in his favour for appointment as VAO on compassionate grounds. The said representation was remanded to the CCLA, A.P., Hyderabad vide Govt. memo No.25513/VO/2000-3 Rev (VO) dated 19.10.2001.

While the matter stood thus the applicant Sri.T.Ch.Santosh Kumar had filed O.A.No.4712/2004 with a similar prayer. In the reference 1st read above, the Hon'ble Tribunal has disposed off the said O.A on 19.11.2009 directing the respondents to consider the case of the applicant on compassionate grounds in view of G.O.Ms.No.158 Rev (VA) Dept dated 13.02.2009 within a period of 4 weeks, if no orders are passed on Government Memo dated 19.10.2001.

The Government, after careful examination of the matter in the light of the orders of Hon'ble APAT, rejected the request of Sri.T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, Srikakulam vide Govt. Memo No.53444/VA.2/2009 Rev (VA) Dept., dated 09.06.2010 on the ground that the applicant's father worked as VAO and not Part-time Asst. or VRO, therefore the provisions of G.O.Ms.No.158 Rev (VA) Dept., dated 13.02.2009 were considered not applicable in his case and even as VAO when his father died on 11.03.1999, the applicant was only 13 years old and was not eligible for appointment.

As per Rule 12 of the then A.P. Village Administrative Officers' Service Rules, 1990, the spouse / dependent children of the VAO, who dies in harness before attaining the age of 62 years, shall be appointed as Village Administrative Officer. But, in G.O.Ms.No.14, Revenue (VO) Dept., dated 15.01.2002, Government issued orders rescinding the APVAOs Service Rules 1990 issued in G.O.Ms.No.943, Revenue (VO)

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Dept., dated 7.11.1990 and published in the AP Gazette dated 8.11.1990. It has been ordered that the notification shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from 01.01.2002. Subsequently, Government issued orders in G.O.Ms.No.446, Revenue (VO) Dept., dated 24.7.2002, sanctioning exgratia of Rs.25,000/- to the dependents of the Village Administrative Officers who died in harness in lieu of compassionate appointment. The CCLA, A.P., Hyderabad and the District Collector, Srikakulam have informed that the Ex-gratia amount has not been paid to the dependents of deceased VAO Sri T.Ch.Suryanarayana.

Subsequently, the Government felt that an effective Revenue administrative apparatus at the grass root level is vital for the maintenance of land records, resolution of land disputes, launching timely relief and rehabilitation measures in case of natural calamities etc., and created a cadre of revenue functionaries at the village level under the exclusive administrative control of the Tahsildars designating the cadre as 'Village Revenue Officer'. The Service Rules to govern the service conditions of the post of Village Revenue Officer were issued by the Government vide G.O.Ms.No.39, Revenue (VA) Department dated 11.01.2008.

In the reference 4th read above, it has been requested to consider the case of T.Ch.Santhosh Kumar for appointment as VRO on Compassionate Ground duly relaxing rules in force on par with a similar precedent case on humanitarian grounds.

It is observed that Sri T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, Srikakulam has applied for the post of VRO on compassionate ground after his father expired on 11.03.1999, and at that time Sri T.Ch.Santosh Kumar was only 13 years old, whereas the required age under rule 8 (2) (ii) of A.P. Village Administrative Officers Service Rules, 1990 is 20 years.

In the light of the above the Government, having reconsidered the whole issue, order that Sri T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, be appointed as Village Revenue Officer on compassionate grounds in relaxation of Rule 8 (2) (ii) of the then APVAO Service Rules, 1990. The appointment of the individual shall be deemed to be against a direct recruitment vacancy of Village Revenue Office under Rule 3 (vi) of A.P. Village Revenue Officer Service Rules, 2008 issued in G.O.Ms.No.39, Revenue (VA) Department dated 11.01.2008.

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad / District Collector, Srikakulam shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad
The Collector & District Magistrate, Srikakulam District.
The Accountant General, A.P., Hyderabad

Copy to:

- 1) The District Treasury Officer, Srikakulam District
- 2) The GA (Services-G) Department
- 3) The PS to M(Revenue) / PS to Prl.Secy to CM
- 4) Sri.T.Ch.Santosh Kumar S/o late T.Ch.Suryanarayana, ,
Chandraiahpet (V) G.Singadam (M) Srikakulam Dist.,
- 5) Sf/Sc

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER